

In the Claims

Please amend the pending claims as follows:

*Rule 126
Sub D1*
~~31~~ 20. (Amended) Plastic-based composite product comprising a plastic mass in which particles are homogeneously embedded, which particles have tensile strength in a first particle direction, said product having a chosen principal product direction,

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wherein the particles comprise:

small particles being elongated plates or fibres and having a random orientation and a length of 0.2-2 mm; and

large particles dominantly orientated such that their first particle direction is in said chosen principal product direction, said large particles having a length in the first particle direction of about 2-6 mm.

particle direction: at least 6 MPa

- tensile stress modulus in first particle direction: at least 3 GPa
- tensile strength transversely of first particle direction: at least 0.3 MPa
- tensile stress modulus transversely of the first particle direction: at least 1 GPa.

*Rule 126
C2*
~~41~~ 30. (Amended) Product as claimed in claim ~~27~~³⁵, wherein the particles include fibres of natural cellulose polymer.

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Sub 347
31. (Amended) Product as claimed in claim 25, wherein the polymer material is a material selected from the group consisting of polypropylene, polystyrene, polyethylene, or polyacrylate.

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[Please add a new claim 40 as follows:]
--40. (New) Product as claimed in claim 20, wherein the particles consist of further comprise wood material.--